GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:439
ANSWERED ON:23.02.2001
PRODUCTION OF SUGAR
RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of sugar produced during last three financial years in each State and Union Territory;

(b) whether the production has exceeded the target during the same period;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the quality of sugar produced by private mills has less calorie content than the sugar produced by Government mills;

(e) whether the Government propose to take action to reduce calorie level in the sugar in future;

(f) if so, the details thereof;
(g) whether there is any proposal to withdraw the levy imposed on sugar; and
(h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) Sugar season is reckoned from Oct. to Sept.Accordingly, the quantum of sugar produced during the last three sugar seasons in each State and Union Territory is at Annexure.

(b) & (c) : No targets are fixed for production of sugar.

(d) The pure sugar has calorie content of 3955 (approx. 4000) K Cal/Kg.The sugar factories in India produce sugar as per Standard Specifications having minimum sucrose content of 99.5% which is more or less pure sugar.

(e) There is no proposal to amend the Standard Specifications in respect of sucrose content of sugar.

(f) Does not arise.

(g) & (h) : The Government has decided to de-control the sugar industry in a phased manner. The levy obligation was reduced from 40% to 30% with effect from 01.01.2000. Government has further reduced the levy obligation from 30% to 15% with effect from 01.02.2001.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF UNSTARRED QUESTIN NO. 439 FOR ANSWER IN THE LOK SABHA ON 23.02.2001.

STATEMENT SHOWING STATE-WISE PRODUCTION OF SUGAR

(Figures in lakh tonnes)

STATE	Sugar Season 1998-99 +(P)	1997-98 Sugar Seaon	Sugar Season 1999-2000+(P)
PUNJAB	3.29	2.94	3.90
HARYANA	3.82	4.03	4.75
RAJASTHAN	0.29	0.26	0.14
UTTAR PRADESH	39.22	37.23	45.76
MADHYA PRADESH	0.68	0.85	1.03
GUJARAT	8.90	10.07	11.41
MAHARASTHRA	38.46	53.43	64.68
BIHAR	2.99	2.67	3.70
ASSAM	0.03	0.04	0.04

ORISSA	0.57	0.74	0.53
WEST BENGAL	0.03	0.05	0.07
NAGALAND	-	-	-
ANDHRA PRADESH	7.82	11.20	11.78
KARNATAKA	9.59	13.76	15.78
TAMILNADU	12.22	17.20	17.08
PONDICHERRY	0.37	0.44	0.48
KERALA	0.06	0.09	0.13
GOA	0.10	0.20	0.15
ALL INDIA	128.44	155.20	181.41

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